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I. SIGNIFICANT ITEMS

None to report.

II. OTHER ACTIVITIES

1. I had a long and interesting talk on Friday with

College. If you don't buy my suggestion to bring [redacted] onto the staff I believe [redacted] would be the next best bet. However, he is thinking in terms of a rotational assignment only, and in the course of our conversation I detected some notions on his part that this would be something in the nature of a sabbatical for him, lots of time to read, possibly to write, etc. This I would not endorse.

2. Upon request of [REDACTED] has developed some very helpful recommendations as to how SIC might proceed in its JOT evaluation and assessment responsibilities. In essence, she has suggested that we develop much further the techniques of handling seminars - so that the burden of responsibility will be on the JOTs rather than on SIC staff. Two purposes will be served, the JOTs will be more active, and the staff will be able to sit back and observe much more carefully. [REDACTED] is endorsed by SIC as having a thoroughly realistic and useful approach to and understanding of the problems involved.

3. I attended with much interest [REDACTED] briefing on the indirect assessment of Khrushchev. Unfortunately, he spent entirely too much time recounting the events of the trip and his personal activities, and got to the essence of the matter only after one hour and twenty minutes had already gone by. I must say I have some

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misgivings about the conclusions which I heard. In the matter of Khrushchev's own personality and capabilities I believe his observations only confirmed those, for example, of the skillful newspaper reporter and there can be little quarrel with them. However, on the basis of those observations, to use Khrushchev's own dialectical approach, a "qualitative leap" took place and conclusions were being put forth about Khrushchev's basic motivations, purposes, and policies - namely, that he is really a changed man since the '55 Summit Conference, or the '56 events in Hungary. This may be true (although I doubt it), but I found no evidence from the indirect assessment to validate this conclusion.

4. Following up on our original memo to PP/NE providing suggestions as to materials possibly suitable for [REDACTED] Communism we have now, at their request, provided them with proposals for a one-semester curriculum suggesting subjects to be covered and time allotments to be made.

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5. I am scheduled this afternoon to brief [REDACTED] on the activities and capabilities of SIC. This is at his request.

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6. Tutorial Training:

[REDACTED]	5 October	8 hours
[REDACTED]	6 October	8 hours
[REDACTED]	6 October	4 hours
[REDACTED]	6 October	4 hours
[REDACTED]	6 October	4 hours
[REDACTED]	7 October	4 hours
[REDACTED]	7 October	4 hours
[REDACTED]	8 October	8 hours

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7. Non-Agency Presentations:

[REDACTED]	5 October - FSI "Theoretical Background"
[REDACTED]	5 October - FSI "Political System"
[REDACTED]	6 October - FSI "Economic Potential"
[REDACTED]	8 October - Naval War College, Newport, R. I. "The Communist Movement Outside the Soviet Bloc"

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III. PERSONNEL NOTES

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